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# **ENGINEERING DESIGN FILE**

**Buried Mixed Waste Tank Program** 

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TITLE:	Source Term Determinat	on of the ARA-O2 Sep	itic Tanks			
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System Description - Contained within the Auxiliary Reactor Area I (ARA-I) is a septic system designated as ARA-02. The system consists on three septic tanks (1, 2, and 3), a seepage pit, and associated piping. From 1960 to 1988 ARA-02 received sanitary waste from Building # 626, 627, 628, and Trailer # 1 and 2. These areas contained various laboratories, a hot cell, print shop, offices and a guard house. All the tanks are interconnected and eventually drain to the seepage pit. This EDF addresses only the contents of the three septic tanks.

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Radiological Characterization - As part of a Track 2 investigation the septic tanks were sampled and analyzed for radionuclide concentration. The results, published by S. L. Pickett et al 1993, were used to determine the source term of the tanks and are shown in Attachment 1. Total activity was based on tank volumes reported in June 1995 (R. G. Akins 1995). The following data and assumptions were used in the source term determination.

- 1. Septic tank volumes are: #1 2.62 E +6 ml; #2 2.08 E +6 ml; #3 1.42 E +6 ml.
- 2. As noted in Attachment 1 radionuclides were decay corrected from August 1992 to December 1995.
- 3. S. L. Pickett et. al. 1993 reported radionuclide concentrations in activity per gram. For the purpose of converting to activity per volume, it was assumed the sludge density is 1.2 g/ml.
- 4. It was assumed all three tanks contained only sludge.

Conclusions - Septic tanks 1, 2, and 3 respectively contain 1.1, 1.5, and 4.4 mCi of activity. Although the concentrations are low, they do exceed the limits established in DOE 5400.5. The tanks' contents should therefore be regarded as radioactive material.

### References -

- 1. S. L. Pickett, K. J. Poor, P. E. Seccomb, S. N. Stanisich, Track 2 Summary Report for Operable Unit 5-07 ARA-I Sites ARA-02 and ARA-03, EGG-ER-10593, May 1993, Revision 0.
- 2. DOE Order 5400.5, Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment, February 8, 1990.
- 3. R. A. Akins, Three ARA-I Septic Tank Volumes, Engineering Design File # ER-BWP-86, July 1995.



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# Attachment 1

# Table 1

Tank 1

Radionuclide	Activity (pCi/g)	Activity (uCi/ml)	Total Activity (Ci)
Co-60 <sup>1</sup>	3.495 E +1	4.19 E -5	1.10 E -4
Cs-137 <sup>1</sup>	3.007 E +1	3.61 E -5	9.45 E -5
Eu-1521	4.30 E -1	5.16 E -7	1.35 E -6
Eu-1541	-	-	-
Eu-155 <sup>1</sup>	-	-	-
Sr-901	6.007 E +1	7.21 E -5	1.89 E -4
Am-241	2.5 E 0	3.00 E -6	7.86 E -6
Pu-239/240	3.9 E 0	4.68 E -6	1.23 E -5
U-234	1.80 E +2	2.16 E -4	5.66 E -4
U-135	1.6 E +1	1.92 E -5	5.03 E -5
U-238	3.7 E +1	4.44 E -5	1.16 E -4
Total	-	_	1.15 E -3

¹ These radioniclides have been decay corrected from 8-1-92 to 12-1-95



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Table 2

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Tank 2

Radionuclide	Activity (pCi/g)	Activity (uCi/ml)	Total Activity (Ci)
Co-60 <sup>1</sup>	6.58 E 0	7.9 E -6	1.29 E -5
Cs-1371	3.823 E +1	4.59 E -5	7.52 E -5
Eu-1521	7.18 E -1	8.62 E -7	1.41 E -6
Eu-1541	•	•	-
Eu-1551	-	-	-
Sr-901	7.303 E +1	8.76 E -5	1.44 E -4
Am-241	1.00 E 0	1.20 E -6	1.97 E -6
Pu-239/240	2.40 E 0	2.88 E -6	4.72 E -6
U-234	3.50 E +2	4.20 E -4	6.89 E -4
U-235	6.10 E +1	7.32 E -5	1.20 E -4
U-238	2.10 E +2	2.52 E -4	4.13 E -4
Total	-	+	1.46 E -3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These radionuclides have been decay corrected from 8-1-92 to 12-1-95



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Table 3

Tank 3

Radionuclide	Activity (pCi/g)	Activity (uCi/ml)	Total Activity (Ci)
Co-60 <sup>1</sup>	5.353 E+1	6.42 E -5	9.12 E -5
Cs-137 <sup>1</sup>	3.461 E+1	4.15 E -5	5.90 E -5
Eu-152 <sup>1</sup>	5.08 E 0	6.10 E -6	8.66 E -6
Eu-1541	3.17 E -1	3.80 E -7	5.40 E -7
Eu-1551	1.43 E -1	1.72 E -7	2.44 E -7
Sr-90 <sup>1</sup>	8.50 E +2	1.02 E -3	1.45 E -3
Am-241	1.50 E 0	1.80 E -6	2.56 E -6
Pu-239/240	6.40 E 0	7.68 E -6	1.09 E -5
U-234	5.00 E +2	6.00 E -4	8.52 E -4
U-235	5.2 0 E +1	6.24 E -5	8.86 E -5
U-238	9.20 E +2	1.68 E -3	2.39 E -3
Total	-	-	4.37 E -3

These radionuclides have been decay corrected from 8-1-92 to 12-1-95.